State of Arizona House of Representatives Forty-fifth Legislature Second Special Session 2001

CHAPTER 1

HOUSE BILL 2007

AN ACT

AMENDING LAWS 2001, CHAPTER 283, SECTION 1; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS; RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
Section 1. Appropriations: purpose; report; funding:

definitions

- A. Except as provided in subsection E of this section, the sum of \$1,300,000 is appropriated from the emergency medical services operating fund established by section 36-2218, Arizona Revised Statutes, and \$3,000,000 is appropriated from the spinal and head injuries trust fund established by section 41-3203, Arizona Revised Statutes, in fiscal year 2001-2002 to the department of health services to reimburse level I trauma centers within hospitals in southern Arizona for losses associated with trauma center readiness costs. The level I trauma centers must be identified as level I trauma centers no later than the effective date of this act to be eligible for the appropriations.
- B. The director of the department of health services shall distribute the appropriated monies to the hospitals based on readiness cost data reported by the hospitals to the director.
- C. The director of the department of health services shall submit a written report to the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives on or before December 15, 2002, based on information provided by the level I trauma centers that receive monies from the appropriations in this section. The report shall include information regarding:
 - 1. The distribution of the appropriations.
 - 2. All services provided by the appropriations.
 - 3. The amounts spent on the services provided by the appropriations.
- D. On or before July 31, 2002, the county and the city in which the hospitals are located shall each contribute \$250,000 to the department of health services for the trauma center readiness costs. If either the county or the city have not made a contribution for trauma center readiness costs, the hospitals shall reimburse the department of health services for the appropriations made in subsection A of this section.
- E. If any entity contributes more than the \$500,000 required by subsection D of this section, the appropriations made in subsection A of this section are reduced proportionately by the amount received in excess of the \$500,000 and these monies revert to the fund from which they are appropriated.
- F. The legislature finds that due to a number of market forces the southern Arizona level I trauma centers may close thereby jeopardizing the provision of level I trauma care to persons in southern Arizona. The legislature also finds that trauma patients from around the state will be affected if the level I trauma centers of southern Arizona close due to the transport of trauma patients from southern Arizona to level I trauma centers in Maricopa county.
 - G. For purposes of this section:

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- 1. "Level I trauma center" means a hospital identified as a level I trauma center by the southern Arizona emergency medical services coordinating system.
- 2. "Trauma center readiness costs" means clinical, professional and operational costs that are incurred by a level I trauma center and that are necessary for the provision of level I trauma care on a twenty-four hour, seven days per week basis. Trauma center readiness costs include only those administrative and overhead costs that are directly associated with providing level I trauma care.
 - Sec. 2. Laws 2001, chapter 283, section 1 is amended to read: Section 1. Appropriations: purpose
- A. Subject to availability of monies in the fund, the sum of \$1,500,000 is appropriated from the emergency medical services operating fund established by section 36-2218, Arizona Revised Statutes, in fiscal year 2001-2002 to the department of health services for distribution to rural areas to improve emergency medical services, as determined by the director of the department after consultation with the emergency medical services council.
- B. Subject to availability of monies in the fund, the sum of \$200,000 is appropriated from the emergency medical services operating fund established by section 36-2218, Arizona Revised Statutes, in each of fiscal years 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 to the department of health services for distribution to rural areas for increased costs associated with providing ambulance services.
- C. THE APPROPRIATION MADE IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-190, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR DECEMBER 6, 2001.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE DECEMBER 7, 2001.

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